

10/18/80

# BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

TERRELL C. BIRCH  
RAYMOND C. STEWART  
JOSEPH A. KOLASCH  
JAMES M. SLATTERY  
BERNARD L. SWEENEY\*  
MICHAEL K. MUTTER  
CHARLES GORENSTEIN  
GEORGE M. MURPHY, JR.  
LEONARD R. SVENSSON  
DEBRYL CLARK  
ANDREW D. MEIKLE  
MARC S. WEINER  
JOE MCKINNEY MUNCY  
ROBERT J. KENNEY  
DONALD J. DALEY  
JOHN W. BAILEY  
MIRIAM CASTELLANO  
ROD. YACURA  
THOMAS S. AUCHTERLONIE  
MARK J. NUELL, PH.D.

OF COUNSEL:  
HERBERT M. BIRCH (1905-1996)  
ELLIOT A. GOLDBERG\*  
WILLIAM L. GATES  
EDWARD H. VALANCE  
RUPERT J. BRADY (RET.)  
F. PRINCE BUTLER  
FRED S. WHISENHUNT  
JAMES W. HELLWEGE

\*ADMITTED TO A BAR OTHER THAN VA.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW  
8110 GATEHOUSE ROAD  
SUITE 500 EAST  
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042-1210  
U S A  
(703) 205-8000

FAX: (703) 205-8050  
(703) 698-8590 (G IV)

e-mail: mailroom@bskb.com  
web: http://www.bskb.com

CALIFORNIA OFFICE:  
COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA

JAMES T. ELLER, JR.  
SCOTT L. LOWE  
D. RICHARD ANDERSON  
PAUL C. LEWIS  
MARK W. MILSTEAD\*  
RICHARD J. GALLAGHER  
JAYNE M. SAYDAH\*  
MARYANNE ARMSTRONG, PH.D.  
KECIA J. REYNOLDS  
ROBERT L. SCOTT, II  
KALPANA REDDY

REG. PATENT AGENTS:  
FREDERICK R. HANDREN  
MAKI HATSUMI  
CRAIG A. MCROBBIE  
GARTH M. DAHLEN, PH.D.  
ROBERT E. GOOZNER, PH.D.  
MATTHEW J. LATTIG  
TIMOTHY R. WYCKOFF  
KRISTI L. RUPERT, PH.D.  
LARRY J. HUME  
HRAYR A. SAYADIAN, PH.D.  
MATTHEW T. SHANLEY  
JASON W. RHODES  
CHRISTINA F. ANNICK  
SUSAN W. GORMAN, PH.D.  
DAVID J. CHO

J1017 U.S. PRO  
09/942798  
08/31/01

Date: August 31, 2001

Docket No.: 0425-0846P

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  continuation  divisional  
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of  
pending prior Application No. 09/447,432 filed on November 23,  
1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by  
reference, by

Kazuyuki MATSUOKA and Shogo TOMIYAMA

for

GAS GENERANT COMPOSITION

1.  Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if applicable).
2.  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

		<b>LARGE ENTITY</b>		<b>SMALL ENTITY</b>	
<b>BASIC FEE</b>		<b>\$710.00</b>		<b>\$355.00</b>	
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE
<b>TOTAL CLAIMS</b>	31-20 =	11	x 18	= \$198.00	x 9 = \$0.00
<b>INDEPENDENT CLAIMS</b>	2-3 =	0	x 80	= \$0.00	x 40 = \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$270.00		+ \$135.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$908.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

3.  A check in the amount of \$908.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

4.  Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

a.  --This application is a  continuation  divisional  continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/447,432, filed on November 23, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

b.  --This application is a  continuation  divisional  continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/447,432, filed on November 23, 1999 and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Application No. 09/447,432 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/\_\_\_\_/ filed on \_\_\_\_ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

6.  Enclosed is/are \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

7a.  A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/447,432 on \_\_\_\_\_. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

7b.  The current application qualifies for small entity status.

8.  The prior application is assigned to Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd.

9.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

10a.  Priority of International Appln. PCT/JP95/02622 filed on December 21, 1995 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and priority of Application No. 6-318547, filed in Japan, on December 21, 1994, Application No. 6-318548, filed in Japan, on December 21, 1994, Application No. 6-318549, filed in Japan, on December 21, 1994, Application No. 6-320108, filed in Japan, on December 22, 1994, Application No. 7-295145, filed in Japan, on November 14, 1995, Application No. 7-295146, filed in Japan, on November 14, 1995, Application No. 7-295147, filed in Japan, on November 14, 1995, Application No. 7-318730, and filed in Japan, on December 7, 1995 are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

10b.  Priority of Application No(s). \_\_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on \_\_\_\_\_.

11.  An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

12.  Address all future communications to:

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP  
P.O. Box 747  
Falls Church, VA 22040-0747  
Telephone: (703) 205-8000  
**or**  
Customer No. 2292

Docket No. 0425-0846P  
Divisional of U.S. 09/447,432

13.  An extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) until  
has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/447,432  
in order to establish co-pendency with the present  
application.

14.  Also enclosed herewith is the following:

---

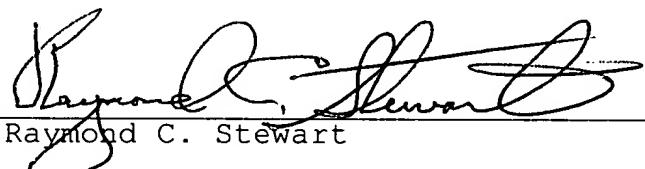
---

---

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this,  
concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any  
overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional  
fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;  
particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By   
Raymond C. Stewart

P.O. Box 747  
Falls Church, VA 22040-0747  
(703) 205-8000

*CJ*  
RCS/GMD/jeb  
0425-0846P

Attachments

(Rev. 01/23/01)